



Gold Coast Airport

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GOLD COAST AIRPORT WELCOMES JETSTAR DAILY AUCKLAND SERVICE

Gold Coast Airport has today welcomed the commencement of direct daily services from Auckland symbolising a bright outlook for inbound tourism on the Gold Coast.

Gold Coast Airport's Chief Operating Officer, Mr Paul Donovan, said the new daily service will significantly boost the local tourism industry's confidence in international tourism to the region, in light of current economic pressures.

"The commencement of this service will not only mean a healthy increase in inbound tourist numbers to the Gold Coast and Northern Rivers regions, but will also provide locals with an affordable, international travel option.

"We look forward to working co-operatively with Jetstar to ensure the continued success of this Trans Tasman service.

"New Zealand remains a key inbound market for the Gold Coast and we expect this service will help drive more visitors from New Zealand to this region for both leisure and business travel.

Mr Donovan said Gold Coast Airport's current \$100 million redevelopment, which has been designed specifically for low cost carriers, will be the icing on the cake when completed.

"With Stage One completed and Stage Two fast nearing completion our passengers are now seeing something tangible.

"The redevelopment is literally bringing the world to the Gold Coast. It's an exciting time for the Gold Coast region and the commitment of Jetstar is sentiment to that," Mr Donovan said.

Jetstar currently operate international services to Tokyo, Osaka and New Zealand as well as a variety of domestic destinations.

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